


REMARKS

The subject application is a U.S. national phase application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/005483. Claims 1-4 are pending, with claim 1 being in independent form. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 3 and 4 have been amended to remove multi-dependencies therein, and new dependent claims 5-7 have been added. Claim 5 is a copy of claim 3, except it depends from claim 2. Claims 6 and 7 are copies of claim 4, except they depend from claims 2 and 3, respectively.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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